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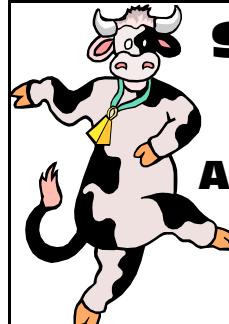
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Deadline extended on Hoopeston history book project

Area residents have only a little time left to order a book on Hoopeston history.

The Hoopeston History Book committee has extended the deadline for purchasing books through this month, said co-chairman Jean Minick.

Books, which will feature family histories, as well as those of businesses, organizations and the community, were expected to arrive in time for Christmas, but publishing has been delayed, allowing time for extra orders, Minick said.

While approximately 475 family histories have been submitted, Minick said the number of business and

organization histories is less than expected. "We have more information on businesses that have already closed than we do on existing ones," she said. "It's not owing to be a history book if all it has is family histories. We're hoping that more people did histories for their business and the town and they've just forgotten to turn them in."

The extended deadline will allow for more of those histories to be submitted, she said.

The book is expected to contain approximately 175 pages of local history. Books are \$50 and may be ordered by calling the Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce office at (217) 283-7873.

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